Queen Anne Cobblestone

The Newsletter of the Queen Anne Historical Society, Seattle, WA

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Next Month-June 16 Mt Pleasant Cemetery Walking Tour

On **Saturday, June 16, at 10:00 am** the Society will conduct the next of our popular walking tours. It will be the annual tour of historic Mt. Pleasant Cemetery on the top of Queen Anne. **The tour starts at the entrance to the cemetery at 7th Ave. W. and W. Raye St.**

Mt. Pleasant dates back to 1878 and contains the grave sites of Seattle pioneers, politicians and poets. It provides in a single setting a cross section of the varied cultures that have contributed to creating this Queen City of the West.

Owners Bill and Loretta Edwards have been very gracious over the years in letting us conduct these historical tours of their cemetery. Tour participants have brought their own stories to us of family members interred there.

Join us, bring your walking shoes. Enjoy the sun and trees.

Annual Meeting Brings Paul Dorpat Back to Entertain & Inform

Wed. May 16, 7:30 pm

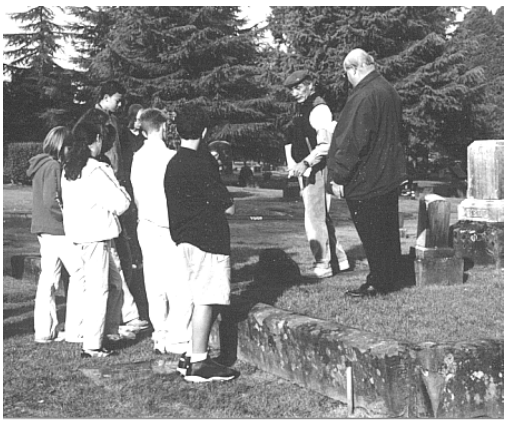
This year's annual meeting of the Queen Anne Historical Society will feature Paul Dorpat, showing some of his photo collection of Seattle and Queen Anne neighborhood scenes. Paul is Seattle's noted photo-historian who's weekly column, "Now and Then", appears in the Sunday Times. He will solicit comments from our audience about the various scenes pictured. Input from neighborhood residents is the source of many of Paul's historical comments in his column. His presentations are always popular and filled with interesting anecdotes of local history.

Join your neighbors at our next public meeting

Wed., May 16th, 7:30 pm
Mclure Middle School Library
First Ave. West and West Crockett

Part of the program for this annual meeting of the Society will be the nomination and election of new members of the board of trustees. Come and meet your fellow-historians and come and see what Paul Dorpat has to show us. Light refreshments will be available.

The meeting is free and open to the public. It begins at 7:30 pm at McClure Middle School Library, 1915 1st Ave. West, on Queen Anne. For more information, contact John Hennes at 206-284-2266.



At left, students from St. Anne School examine the family plot of William Bell at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, last October, 2000. Bob Frazier and John Hennes are the guides.
Photo by Isabel Egglin

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Membership Notice

We thank all of our members for their vital support. Our membership year ends May 31. To those of you who have 2001 on your address label, **your dues for 2001-2002 are now due.** Please take a moment to use the coupon on page 3 to renew for next year. We rely on your support and your participation in preserving Queen Anne's story.

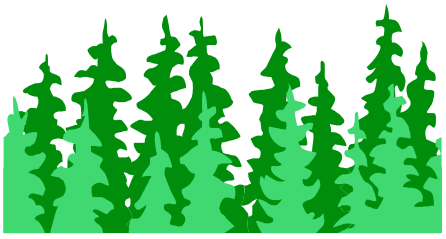
Calendar of

Wed. May 16, 2001.
Program: Paul Dorpat will give one of his popular talks on photos of local scenes he has unearthed. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free. (see story, page 1)

Sat. June 16, 2001.
Walking Tour: Our annual tour of historic Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Meet at entrance, 7th Ave. W & W Raye St. Time 10:00 am. Free. (see story, page 1)

Wed, Sept. 19, 2001
Program: Cathy Fulton on "Remembering Home". McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free.

Sat. Oct. 13, 2001.
Walking Tour: An Uptown Stroll of part of lower Queen Anne. Location TBD. Time 10:00 am. Free.



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HistoryLink is an evolving online encyclopedia of Seattle and King County history. It is being written on and for the Internet to establish a new baseline history in anticipation of the 2001-2002 sesquicentennial of the establishment of Seattle and King County, Washington, USA. HistoryLink is also being designed to serve as a model for other communities seeking to preserve and present their histories via the Internet.

It is produced by History Ink, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, with the support of many local institutions. You can reach it at *www.historylink.org*.

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The Queen Anne Historical Society was formed to record and preserve, in permanent form, the history of the settling of the Queen Anne community and to develop within the community an appreciation and concern for its history and its historical sites.

Society News

Historical Date Correction

Last month's listing of "It Happened in Feb.-Mar." erroneously listed the date of the Wellington Avalance as Feb. 2. The correct date is Mar. 1, 1910. Your editor apologizes, especially since this is one of the topics in our regular Mt. Pleasant Cemetery tours.

Web Page Progress

The Society's web page is currently at *www.historylink.org/qahs*. We are in the midst of working out a new arrangement to design and maintain a more useful and up-to-date site. If all goes well we will have a new web site up in mid-summer at *www.qahistory.org*. Stay tuned.

McClure Oral History

The first round of oral history projects with McClure Middle School seventh grade students was recently completed. A second round is now in work. Isabel Egglin is helping coordinate this. If you would like to help with future programs involving students, call Isabel at 206-286-3605 and leave your name and number.

St Anne's Home Tour

This year's tour of homes on Queen Anne's south slope will be **Sunday, June 3, 2001 from noon to 4 pm**. Tickets are $20 ($15 seniors) in advance and $25 day-of. This popular tour raises funds for St. Anne School and other local children's organizations. It is your chance to visit some of the historic homes you have walked or driven past. For information, or to volunteer your help, call 206-285-1100.

Society President Turns 40

Kim Turner, QAHS president, turned 40 on May 10. That's not his age, folks (he wishes). That's his anniversary at Seattle Public Library. While still in school he acted as tour guide for the brand new library, replacing the old Carnegie library. Now he is helping pack up for the library's temporary move and will be around to act as a guide when the new library opens in 2003. The library system is 110 years old. Will Kim top that...?

A NewCoe School

The Seattle police and fire departments have finally released the school site to the School District and work has begun on clearing the rubble left from the tragic fire on Jan. 21. No conclusions were able to be reached regarding accident or arson for the cause. The new school "Open Heart" design has been selected. It makes good use of the old school windows and retains enough of Coe's features to feel like Queen Anne. Bids are due out in early fall.

SHA Gets Society Help

The Seattle Housing Authority runs five low-income housing units on upper and lower Queen Anne. Our society will be exposing some of the senior residents to Queen Anne's history during a van tour on May 17. Del Loder will conduct it.

NE Boulevard Walking Tour Proves Popular

About 39 people turned up on Saturday, April 21 to hear stories about the northeast QA Boulevard area. John Hay school, the McGraw Street Bridge and the QA P-Patch were all included in Kim Turner's narration, assisted by Del Loder and John Hennes. Where do you think the next tour should go? Give us a call.

McGraw St Bridge, one month after its opening in September, 1936.
Photo courtesy Seattle Municipal

Yes, I want to join the Queen Anne Historical Society in preserving our community's heritage and promoting the public's understanding of its past.

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___ I would like to become active in the Queen Anne Historical Society.

Yes, I want to order the Society's book, *Queen Anne—Community on the Hill*, for $25 a copy ($20 for paid-up members). Enclosed is a check for

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The President's Corner
by Kim Turner

The recent walking tour around the northeast section of the Queen Anne Boulevard and its environs was attended by some 39 persons, both members and non-members of the Society. There was much to be seen, much to be learned, and the stop at the P-Patch was seen as one of the major highlights.

The day was beautiful, starting out a bit chill but quickly warming up, as did Del and Kim, as tour guides. We were especially lucky to have along on the tour at least one of the current residents of the neighborhood, as well as several former residents and students at the "old" John Hay School.

As this will be my last column as President (my two consecutive years end with the election in May) I wish to take a moment to thank all the dedicated board members and those of you who, as members of the organization, make it worthwhile continuing to build our group of walking tours, our bi-monthly programs, and keeping the love of history alive. To Bob Frazier, Nadine Belcher, Isabel Egglin, Del Loder, John Hennes, Ron Mason, and Will Shopes, my heartiest thanks for jobs well-done.

To the rest of you within the Society, consider becoming active members again. Our need for additional members of the board is continual. Until we reach the point at which each of the board members has but one duty to take care of, we will keep the request for more board members as our annual appeal. Even if you cannot be a heavily involved board member, ask us what you CAN do for the Society. We always need assistance. Any former file clerks? You are needed to assist with the archives.

That's my soapbox - I wish continued

Interested in becoming more involved with the Queen Anne Historical Society? Join the Board of Trustees! Call John Hennes at (206) 284-2266 for more details about how you can share in making and keeping Queen Anne's history.